

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 369
By DuBois

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Jeffrey S. Richey, on his selection as Building Level Teacher of the Year at Spring Hill High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey Richey is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Richey has recently been selected Building Level Teacher of the Year at Spring Hill High School, an honor most befitting his outstanding tenure as a teacher as it recognizes the positive influence he has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey received his bachelor's degree in Business Administration from the University of Tennessee in 1992 and a master's degree in Human Resource Development from the University of Tennessee in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey has served with acumen and alacrity as an 11th and 12th grade teacher for eight exemplary years; and

WHEREAS, he is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate his students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Richey truly serves as an inspiration to his colleagues and students alike, and his friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; and

WHEREAS, widely recognized among his peers, Jeffrey Richey is chair of the School Improvement Plan, the School Improvement Plan Component and Process Evaluation, the Career and Technical Education Department and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; he is also a member of the National Teachers Association, the Tennessee Education Association and the Maury County Education Association; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, Mr. Richey was nominated for the *Sallie Mae First Class Teacher Award* at Spring Hill in 1995-1996; and

WHEREAS, deeply involved in his community, he has been a sponsor of the Distributive Education Clubs of America for five years, and is a Sunday School teacher, Vacation Bible School Recreation Coordinator, Discipleship Training Teacher and Royal Ambassadors Coordinator and Teacher; and

WHEREAS, his many professional accomplishments aside, Jeffrey Richey is most appreciative of the love, support and companionship he shares with his family; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey Richey truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Jeffrey Richey on being chosen as Building Level Teacher of the Year at Spring Hill High School, commend his exceptional service

to the children of Tennessee, salute his professional expertise and personal excellence and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.